



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA
Abstract

Local Self Government Department - Rural Development- Establishment- Final order dated 27.11.2014 of the Honourable Kerala Administrative Tribunal in OA No.1682/2014 filed by Sri.Unni.K.E and Others - Complied with- Orders issued.

LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT (ERB) DEPARTMENT
G.O.(Rt).No.3099/2015/LSGD.Thiruvananthapuram,Dated,09.10.2015.

- Read:- (1) G.O.(P)No.216/2008/LSGD, dated 30.07.2008.
(2) Proceedings No.20575/Estt.B2/2012/CRD dated 05.05.2014 of the Commissioner for Rural Development.
(3) Representations dated nil from Sri.K.E.Unni and Sri.P.M.Narendranath, Joint Block Development Officers (A8).
(4) Representation dated 30.05.2014 from Sri.M.Sureshan, Joint Block Development Officer.(A9).
(5) Final Order dated 27.11.2014 of the Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal in O.A. 1682/14 filed by Sri. Unni.K.E, Joint Block Development Officer and Others.
(6) Letter No.13098/Estt.B2/15/CRD dated 30-7-2015 from the Commissioner for Rural Development.

ORDER

Sri.Unni.K.E, Sri. P.M.Narendranath and Sri.M.Sureshan, Joint Block Development Officers of Rural Development Department have submitted representations before the Government as per 3rd and 4th papers read above, against the final integrated seniority list of Joint Block Development Officers/ Extension Officers (Housing) Grade I, Extension Officers (WW)/Extension Officers (Housing) Gr.II/General Extension Officers, Village Extension Officers Gr.I and Gr.II published vide 2nd paper read above.

In the petition it is stated that they have filed objections against the draft seniority list dated 19.10.2013 published by the Commissioner for Rural Development, based on the date of promotion on the stipulated time limit itself. Without considering the objections, the Commissioner for Rural Development has published the final seniority list as per the 2nd paper read above. Subsequently their juniors were placed above them. They claimed that the seniority position of the nearly 600 persons including themselves who were advised by the PSC for the period from 1934 to 1991 have become lower to that of their juniors advised on 1991. The seniority position of nearly 250

LVEOs advised on 1991 have become lower to their juniors advised after 1991. The 3rd applicant has claimed that he was advised by the KPSC on 08.05.1985. Consequent on the publication of the seniority list his seniority position has become lower to 113 LVEOs advised after 5-7 years after him. They have contended that the above anomaly has occurred since the seniority has been fixed based on the date of promotion instead of date of advice by the PSC. The date of PSC advice has been the criterion for fixation of seniority in Panchayaths, Revenue, and Police Departments where Integration of service has been made .

The applicants have requested to direct Commissioner for Rural Development to cancel the existing seniority list prepared based on the date of promotion and instead prepare seniority based on the date of advice.

In the meanwhile, the applicants have also filed O.A.1682/2014 before the Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal. As per the Order read as 5th paper above, the Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal has directed the 1st Respondent, ie, the Principal Secretary, Local Self Government Department to consider and pass orders on representations read as 3rd and 4th papers above in accordance with law after affording an opportunity of being heard to the applicants and other affected persons within four months from the date of receipt of a copy of the order.

In compliance to the order of the Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal, the applicants were heard by the Deputy Secretary, Local Self Government Department on 03.09.2015. During the hearing they put forwarded the arguments raised in the petition.

Government have examined the matter in detail in the light of the Government Order read as 1st paper above. The Commissioner for Rural Development has prepared the Integrated seniority list of Joint Block Development Officers, Extension Officer (Women Welfare) Gr.I, ITDP, Attappady, General Extension Officers, Extension Officers (Housing) Gr.II, Extension Officer (Women Welfare), Village Extension Officer Gr.I, Lady Village Extension Officer Gr.I according to the date of promotion of the incumbents to the respective post as envisaged as per G.O read as 1st paper above.

Therefore the request of the applicants to fix the seniority based on the date of advice of the Public Service Commission cannot be considered as it is against the Special Rules. Therefore the Annexure A8&A9 appeal petitions are rejected and thereby complied with the final order dated 27.11.2014 of the Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal in O.A.1682/2014.

**By Order of the Governor
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Deputy Secretary**

To

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The Advocate General, Thiruvananthapuram Branch (With C/L)

The Principal Accountant General, (Audit) Kerala,
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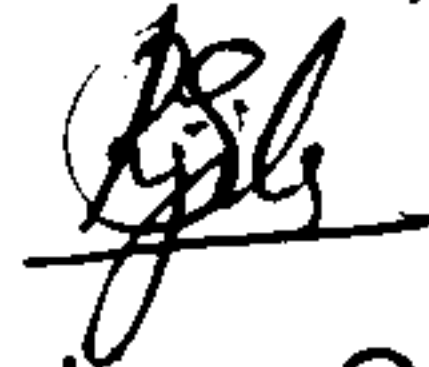
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